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10 a.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

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Security Council

As from *today*, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

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3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 118 (Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1)); and 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399));

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory
2. Situation of human rights in Myanmar
3. Draft report on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon
4. Draft report on the conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials
5. Executive session on the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009
6. Executive session on security

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 4

1. Report of the Chairman of the Drafting Group of the Ad Hoc Committee
2. Adoption of the draft final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on its eighth session (A/AC.265/2006/L.7, A/AC.265/2006/L.7/Corr.1 and A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1)
3. Conclusion of the work of the Ad Hoc Committee at its eighth session

[*Note*: All relevant documentation of the Ad Hoc Committee is available at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/enable/rights/ahc8.htm>.]

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 10 to 10.30 a.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. (if needed) in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 1.15 to 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 4 to 6 p.m. (to be announced on QuickPlace, in the morning).

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

9.15 a.m.–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 5 December 2006

JUSCANZ Group (on Third Committee matters)

9–9.45 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the themes for the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

10–11 a.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee draft resolutions)

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
1.15–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

1.15 - 2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Other activities

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Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Meeting of the Women's International Forum, with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the topic "The past ten years and beyond" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Ceremony in commemoration of the sixty-fifth anniversary of the Moscow Battle of 1941 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

At 5.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarsjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Zakharova, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (tel. 1 (212) 861-4903).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m. Ms. Leonie Watson, Head of Accessibility, Nomensa; and Mr. Simon Norris, Managing Director, Nomensa (to the Global Audit of Web Accessibility)

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

1 p.m. Mr. James Davies, Professor and RBC Financial Group Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario; and Mr. Edward Wolff, Professor of Economics, New York University (on the study by the World Institute for Development Economics Research of the United Nations University entitled "The World Distribution of Household Wealth")

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. — 66th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]: specific meeting focused on development

3 p.m. — 67th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/61/386) [82]
2. Maintenance of international security – good-neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe: report of the First Committee (A/61/387) [83]
3. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/61/388) [84]
4. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/61/389) [85]
5. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/390) [86]
6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/391) [87]
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/61/392) [88]
8. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/61/393) [89]
9. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/394) [90]
10. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/395) [91]
11. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/61/396) [92]
12. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/397) [93]
13. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/61/398) [94]
14. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/61/399) [95]
15. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/61/400) [96]

16. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/61/401) [97]

17. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/402) [110]

18. Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/61/403) [118]

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Information meeting on the second round of informal consultations on the issue of the institutional framework for the environmental activities of the United Nations in follow-up to paragraph 169 of the World Summit Outcome Document[1]

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 6

[1] Chaired by H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico, and H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland. A letter was sent by fax to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations on Wednesday, 22 November 2006.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. Conference Room 5. It will also hold informal "informals" consultations (closed) at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document A/CN.10/L.58. All Member States are invited to attend.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests

The open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests of the United Nations Forum on Forests will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 11 December, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda for the meeting is contained in document E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/1.

Delegations wishing to nominate experts, attend the session and be included in the list of participants are requested to send all related correspondence, including the composition of their delegations, to Ms. Barbara Tavora-Jainchill (room DC1-1258; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Further information on the meeting can be obtained at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/forests/adhoc-nlbi.html>.

Peacebuilding Commission

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the delegation of Angola with members of the Peacebuilding Commission and non-governmental organizations, to discuss peacebuilding priorities in Burundi and Sierra Leone, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the United Nations Reform and General Assembly Revitalization

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operation

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

African Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on the standing police capacity and formed police units (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).]

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in Conference Room 2:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (ambassadorial level)

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming activities

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Civil Society Forum on "Human rights and poverty: Voices from affected groups" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Special event on the theme "International Volunteers Day: A New York observance", the occasion of the International Volunteers Day for Economic and Social Development (5 December) (organized by the United Nations Volunteers New York Office)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org), or Ms. Kristy Darragh, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3634; e-mail kristy.darragh@undp.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Panel discussion on "Shining a light: Human rights abuses in North Korea" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Expert panel discussion on "Beyond charity: Rights, power and poverty" (sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child.

Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 4 December 2006

Security Council

5577th meeting

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Canada, Colombia, Finland, Israel, Lebanon, Myanmar and Norway, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Egeland.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, the United States, Ghana, Slovakia, France, the United Kingdom, Greece and Japan.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Argentina, Denmark, Peru, the Congo, the United Republic of Tanzania and the Russian Federation, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Qatar.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Israel, Finland (speaking on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine, which aligned themselves with this statement), Colombia, Norway, Canada, Lebanon and Myanmar.

Mr. Egeland made a further statement.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

64th plenary meeting — *The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict* [10]

(a) Letter from Botswana transmitting the report on the progress made towards the implementation of the Kimberly Process Certification Scheme (A/61/589)

(b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.27)

H.E. Mr. Festus Gontebanye Mogae, President of the Republic of Botswana, addressed the General Assembly.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), Namibia, the United States, the Russian Federation, Liberia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Sierra Leone and Angola.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3208 (XXIX) of 11 October 1974, the observer for the European Community made a statement (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement).

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/61/L.27 (resolution 61/28).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 10.

Reports of the Sixth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Sixth Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 33, 75 to 80, 100, 110, 118, 128, 148 and 153.

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Sixth Committee which were before the Assembly.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/450) [33]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/450) (resolution 61/29).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 33.

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/451) [75]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/451) (resolution 61/30).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 75.

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/452) [76]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/452) (resolution 61/31).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 76.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-ninth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/453) [77]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/453) (resolutions 61/32 and 61/33).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 77.

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/454) [78]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/454) (resolutions 61/34, 61/35 and 61/36).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 78.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/455) [79]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/455) (resolutions 61/37 and 61/38).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 79.

The rule of law at the national and international levels: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/456) [80]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/456) (resolution 61/39).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 80.

Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/457) [100]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/61/457) (resolution 61/40).

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of vote, after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 100.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/458) [110]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/458).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Programme planning: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/459) [118]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Sixth Committee on agenda item 118 (A/61/459).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/460) [128]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/61/460).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 128.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/461) [148]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/461) (resolution 61/41).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 148.

Requests for observer status in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/462) [153]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/61/462) (resolutions 61/42, 61/43 and 61/44).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 153.

Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.16) [44]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.16 (resolution 61/45).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 44.

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

The representative of Philippines made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.13.

65th plenary meeting *Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations* [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.29)

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference: draft resolution (A/61/L.26)

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: draft resolution (A/61/L.20/Rev.1)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/61/L.18)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.37)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-items (c), (e), (q), (r), (s) and (t) of agenda item 108.

The representative of Ukraine made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.18.

The representative of Fiji made a statement (on behalf of the South Pacific Forum), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.20/Rev.1.

The representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines made a statement (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.29.

The representative of Lesotho made a statement (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.37.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolutions before it under the item.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.13 (resolution 61/46) without a vote.

By 133 votes to 1, with no abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.18 (resolution 61/47).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.20/Rev.1 (resolution 61/48) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.26 (resolution 61/49) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.29 (resolution 61/50) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.37 (resolution 61/51) without a vote.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of Solomon Islands made a statement, after the adoption of the draft resolution

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-items (c), (e), (q), (r), (s) and (t) of agenda item 108.

Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolutions (A/61/L.15/Rev.1) [43]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement, in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution A/61/L.15/Rev.1.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.15/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 61/52).

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement in explanation of vote.

H.E. Mr. George Voulgarakis, Minister of Culture of Greece, made a statement, after the adoption of the draft resolution

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 43.

Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: draft decision (A/61/L.40) [46]

The General Assembly adopted draft decision A/61/L.40 without a vote.

The representatives of Brazil (on behalf of the Southern Common Market and associated states), India and Australia (also on behalf of Canada, Japan and Norway) made statements in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 46.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to extend the work of the Second Committee until Wednesday, 6 December 2006.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

26th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and Kuwait on the capital master plan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would continue on that day, Monday, 4 December, following the adjournment of the formal meeting in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Mohammed Najib Elji (Syrian Arab Republic).

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

1st meeting

The Vice-President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

The Ad Hoc Committee heard statements by the representatives of Sweden, Bahrain, the Netherlands, Egypt, Turkey, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Denmark, Austria, Japan, Belgium, Slovenia, China, Norway, the United States, the Republic of Korea, the United Arab Emirates and France, as well as by the observers for the Holy See and the European Community.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Objection to reservations made by Brunei Darussalam upon accession: Estonia (4 December 2006)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Oman upon accession: Estonia (4 December 2006)[1]

Convention for the Suppression of the Circulation of, and Traffic in, Obscene Publications, concluded at Geneva on 12 September 1923 and amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, on 12 November 1947. New York, 12 November 1947

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Agreement for the Suppression of the Circulation of Obscene Publications, signed at Paris on 4 May 1910, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. New York, 4 May 1949

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Ratification: India (1 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Monday, 4 December 2006.

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A/61/PV.36	Meeting held on 19 October 2006, 10 a.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.37	Meeting held on 19 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.38	Meeting held on 20 October 2006, 10 a.m. [E]

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

A/AC.109/2006/SR.5 Meeting held on 6 June 2006, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

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A/61/394	Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/459	Item 118 — Programme planning — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/597	Item 121 — Pattern of conferences — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/600–S/2006/925	Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Letter dated 29 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.29*	Reissued for technical reasons [S (only)]
A/61/L.31/Add.1	Item 14 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People — Lao People's Democratic Republic [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.35/Add.1	Item 13 — The situation in the Middle East — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Palestine: draft resolution — Jerusalem — Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) [A C E F R S]
A/RES/61/20	Item 58 — Commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/61/L.9	Item 134 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire [A C E F R S]
	Tenth emergency special session
A/RES/ES-10/16	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [A C E F R S]

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities Resumed eighth session

A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities [A C E F R S]

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

A/CN.10/L.58 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

A/CN.10/L.59 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

Security Council	Documents
S/2006/837	Letter dated 23 October 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/901	Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/600–S/2006/925	Letter dated 29 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2006/926	Letter dated 28 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/930	Letter dated 30 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/931	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus [A C E F R S]
S/2006/934	Letter dated 30 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/PRST/2006/49	Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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